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3 February 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: All Office Directors and NIOs

FROM : Presidential Briefing Coordinator

SUBJECT : Presidential Briefing Topics for After 7 February 1978

1. The following major topics were briefed on 31 January in addition to some topics pertaining to collection and routine business.

- A. NIE 3/8 Presentations to Congress
- B. Soviet View of the Horn of Africa
- C. Soviet/PDRY Activities on Socotra and Perim
- D. French Political Situation

2. The following topics are nominated for the Presidential Briefing on 7 February.

- A. Japan's Relations with PRC and USSR
- B. Soviet Map Distortions
- C. Chinese Interest in Western Technology
- D. Italian Political Situation
- E. Soviet Negotiating Style

3. The following subjects are in various stages of preparation for future Presidential Briefings. The responsible officer and planned dates, if known, are shown:

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| A. Covert Communications (OTS) | 14 February |
| B. Sino-Soviet Dispute (NIO/China) | March |
| C. Monitoring a CW Ban (OSI) | 14 February |
| D. NIE 11-4 (NIO/USSR) | 28 February |
| E. Soviet Forced Labor Camps (OGCR) | early March |
| F. Status of INFCE (NIO/NP) | late March |
| G. A GRU Case (Counterintelligence) | 14 February |
| H. Military Exercises in North Korea (OSR) | 21 February |

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4. The following additional topics have been proposed as possible future topics for Presidential Briefings. These topics have not yet been approved by DNFAC. After DNFAC approval of the topic, the responsible officer will be asked to provide an outline for the DCI's approval. Preparation of the draft briefing will start after the outline is approved.

- A. Evaluation of Performance of Imagery Systems (ICS)
- B. Argentina's Nuclear Program (NIO/NP)
- C. Nigeria (NIO/AF)
- D. Yugoslav Leadership Succession (OCR)
- E. Brazil Estimate (NIO/LA)
- F. NIE 4-1 (NIO/CF)
- G. Zimbabwe Guerrillas and Rhodesian Prospects (NIO/AF)

5. D/OGCR, D/OWI, NIO/SP, NIO/USSR, NIO/EAP are requested to submit nominations for topics to be used in early March by COB Tuesday 7 February. The D/OSR, D/OIA and NIOs PE, WE, and CH will be requested to submit topics for use in mid-March the following week.

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31 January 1978

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1. The following major topics were briefed on 31 January in addition to some topics pertaining to collection and routine business.

- ✓ A. NIE 3/8 Presentations to Congress
- ✓ B. Soviet View of the Horn of Africa
- ✓ C. Soviet/PDRY Activities on Socotra and Perim
- ✓ D. French Political Situation

2. The following topics are nominated for the Presidential Briefing on 7 February.

- A. Japan's Relations with USSR & PRC 25X1A
- B. Soviet Map Distortions 25X6
- C. Covert Communications
- D. Telemetry 25X1A
- Eur 25X6

3. The following subjects are in various stages of preparation for future Presidential Briefings. The responsible officer and planned dates, if known, are shown:

- A. US Area Research Capability (NIO/PE) 14 February 25X1A
- B. Sino-Soviet Dispute (NIO/China) March (when NIE ready)
- C. Monitoring a CW Ban (OSI) 14 February
- D. NIE 11-4 (NIO/USSR) late February
- E. Soviet Forced Labor Camps (OGCR) early March
- F. Status of INFCE (NIO/NP) early March
- G. A GRU Case (Counterintelligence) 14 February
- H. Military Exercises in North Korea (OSI)

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4. The following additional topics have been proposed as possible future topics for Presidential Briefings. These topics have not yet been approved by DNFA. After DNFA approval of the topic, the responsible officer will be asked to provide an outline for the DCI's approval. Preparation of the draft briefing will start after the outline is approved.

- A. Evaluation of Performance of Imagery Systems.
- B. ~~North Korean Exercise Activity (OSR)~~ *Argentina's Nuclear Program (NIO/NP)*
- C. (OSI)
- ☒ D. Yugoslav Leadership Succession (OCR)
- E. Brazil Estimate (NIO/LA)
- F. NIE 4-1 (NIO/CF)
- G. *Zimbabwe Guerrillas and Rhodesian Settlement (NIO/AF)*
- H. *Nicaragua (NIO/AF)*

5. The following topic has been deleted from the list of working topics for the reason indicated:

- Leave space* { A. ~~Use of foreign Labor & Technicians in Arabian States (Covered adequately in Presidential Briefing August 1977.)~~

6. ^{OGCR} D/OGCR, ^{OWZ} D/OWZ, ^{SP} NIO/CF, ^{USR} NIO/SS, ^{EAP} NIO/AF are requested to submit nominations for topics to be used in early March by COB Tuesday ~~31~~ ⁷ February January. The ^{OSR} D/OGCR, ^{OIA} D/OWZ, and ^{PE} NIO/SP, ^{WE} USSR, and ^{CH} EAP will be requested to submit topics for use in mid-March the following week.

7. The Presidential Briefing Coordinator's Office has been shifted from 7D61 to 7G25. Telephones are Ex.

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Rec'd 25 Jan (after steering committee mtg)

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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

National Intelligence Officers

24 January 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

FROM: Acting NIO for Nuclear Proliferation

SUBJECT: Proposed Topic for Presidential Briefing

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Argentina's Nuclear Program: Progress and Prospects. The NSC Staff (J. Tuchman) is expected to request shortly a paper on this subject* covering Argentina's intentions concerning the Tlatelolco Treaty, safeguards, high explosives purchases, and its desire to provide Peru with a reactor and US-origin fuel. I think the paper (which ORPA and OSI will develop jointly) might be a good base on which to build a Presidential briefing. Given that a new US initiative on nuclear issues toward Argentina apparently is in the works, an end-February Presidential briefing on the topic might be just the right timing.

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*Not to be confused with the broader NFAC Assessment on Argentina that is being prepared as part of the NIO/NP production program.

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